FINAL BILL REPORT HB 2907

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Encouraging fund-raising activities on behalf of the state legislative building.

Sponsors: By Representatives Schoesler, Romero, Alexander, Murray, Ogden, Mitchell and Nixon.

House Committee on State Government Senate Committee on State & Local Government

Background:

State ethics laws prohibit state officers and state employees from receiving, accepting, taking, seeking, or soliciting gifts. An exemption exists for the Capitol Furnishings Preservation Committee which may accept donations and gifts, as well as engage in and encourage fund-raising activities, for the limited purpose of recovering original and historic furnishings.

Summary:

State officers and state employees are allowed to engage in fund-raising activities, including soliciting of charitable gifts, grants, or donations, for the limited purpose of preservation and restoration of the state legislative building and related educational exhibits and programs. These officers and employees are exempt from state ethics laws for this purpose.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 97 1 Senate 38 5

Effective: March 27, 2002